



# Proclamation

This year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Big Island's Kaumana Elementary School.

Kaumana Elementary School was opened in 1906 under the leadership of its first principal, Mr. Stephen Desha, Jr. Building "A," the original 1906 structure, currently houses the school's Kindergarten classes.

Kaumana Elementary School has always played a big part in the Big Island's history. During WWII, it was the site of an anti-aircraft battery.

The school's alma mater was written in 1954-1955 by the school's students and former principal, Mr. Shigeo Nakamura, who at age 93 will be present at this Centennial Celebration. Many of the school's graduates have gone on to serve their community with distinction and honor. Several of these students will also be attending the centennial celebration.

The school's administration, faculty and students have worked hard to achieve extraordinary results, and was recently recognized in the 2006 May issue of Honolulu Magazine as being the one of the top 50 best public school in the State of Hawai'i.

In the 2005-2006 school year, Kaumana Elementary School met and surpassed the Annual Yearly Progress with some of the highest scores on the Big Island and in the State of Hawai'i. The school's enrollment has grown to include 225 students from Kindergarten through sixth grade.

The staff, faculty and students throughout the past century have helped to make the slogan *Kaumana Stars Light the Future* a reality. The school is a place where dedication and caring place the students and their education first.

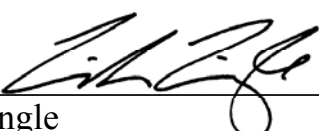
On October 14, 2006, the community will celebrate this milestone occasion with a day filled with festivities, goodwill and fond memories.

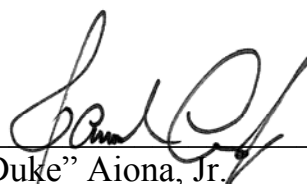
**THEREFORE, I, LINDA LINGLE**, Governor of the State of Hawai'i, and **I, JAMES R. "DUKE" AIONA, JR.**, Lieutenant Governor, do hereby proclaim **October 14, 2006**, as

## KAUMANA ELEMENTARY SCHOOL DAY

in Hawai'i, and thank the administrators, staff, faculty, parents, alumni and current students, whose hard work and devotion serve as a shining example of what a school united can achieve.

**DONE** at the State Capitol, in the Executive Chambers, Honolulu, State of Hawai'i, this eleventh day of October 2006.

  
Linda Lingle  
Governor, State of Hawai'i

  
James R. "Duke" Aiona, Jr.  
Lieutenant Governor, State of Hawai'i